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One of nature's balance wheels causes the man who claims to know the most to make the most mistakes.

One of the reasons why "there is always room at the top" is that pushing each other off is a continuous game up there.

Would you rather be a molly-coddle with a million dollars than a strenuous athlete without it? is the problem that the board of managers of Swartmore college are now wrestling with.

Rather odd that it should have been thought necessary to detail fifty secret service men to guard Secretary Taft from attacks from Japanese students, while in Shanghai, don't you think?

Roosevelt's money looks as good as any other to the Christian Ministers' association, which has indorsed the acceptance of \$25,000 of it by the Christian Foreign Missionary Society.

Even a preacher must live; therefore there is nothing very astonishing in some of them quitting the pulpit and going into business when they find they can't get a raise in salary.

In different places the same term has opposite meanings. For instance, in England "tariff reform" means putting a duty on importations, while in this country it means lowering or taking off the duty.

That bump of nauseous nastiness known as the Hartje divorce case, has broken out again in the Pittsburgh, Pa., courts, and some newspapers are handling in a way to make the call for disinfectants imperative.

Wall street's channel is more than fourteen feet deep, a many "suckers" have discovered when trying to ford it, though it never asked for a congressional appropriation—it has quicker methods of getting the coin.

The experience of others counts for very little with most of us. More of the Vanderbilt fortune is to be invested in a foreign title, and, incidentally, a Hungarian husband for Miss Gladys.

It's getting so that a man cannot charge that graft and corruption exist in any particular place without hearing from some vigilant prosecuting attorney. Senator Lodge has been summoned to appear before the Boston grand jury and make good his recent charges of municipal graft in that town.

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An English publisher says, "Americans don't want to think; they want to be amused." Well, what of it? The world is full of men anxious to do all our thinking for nothing, in order that we may spend our money for amusement.

What slick lawyers can do is strikingly shown in the answer of the tobacco trust in the government suit against it under the anti-trust law, which admits practically all the charges in detail, yet argues that doing them does not make it a trust.

For a minute we feared that Root had gone wrong, in Mexico, when we saw in a newspaper headline that he had attended a "jaripes," but further reading eased us down a bit by explaining the "jaripes" was Mexican for a cowboys' round-up.

Count Okuma, head Jap jingo, says, "Japan, although financially distressed, would go to war tomorrow with any power if her national pride were insulted." This government now knows the worst, and should see to it that Hobson, Taylor and the other war-or-busters pull off no insult stunts.

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